



Leadership Team Meeting Minutes  
Metro District – August 12, 2009

**COORDINATORS REPORT**

The WQX transition is proceeding well. The Council has received a \$2,000 pledge from the Poudre Watershed Group which will cover the budget shortfall for the WQX conversion.

There is approximately \$2,400 left in the grant for this calendar year. \$10,000 is needed to complete all work scheduled in 2009. Lucia commented that there is no time restriction on when grant money can be spent. As long as the deliverables are being produced, the time frame is not important.

The coordinators are working with Dan Beley to complete the work plan for the Map Enhancement Project. They will also send Dan a letter laying out the tasks, deliverables budget and schedule. Dan will then have a PO issued to the coordinators directly for the work. The map work should be completed before the end of the year.

The old website is locked for reasons unknown but the new site is active. You are encouraged to review the site and provide comments to the coordinators at [cdsn@mtngeogeek.com](mailto:cdsn@mtngeogeek.com). The coordinators will try to find a way to post a note on the old site directing people to the new site. Photos are still needed to populate the new site.

**NATIONAL MONITORING COUNCIL 2010 CONFERENCE**

Lucia committed to submit an abstract for a Non-Point Source Program presentation.

Barb will contact Marcella at Region VII to solicit presentations by EPA staff. Lucia will also talk with Marcella.

Cathy Tate will talk with Ann Castle (Assistant Secretary of the Interior for Water & Science) about a water quantity, quality presentation.

Dan Beley mentioned that his watershed tour is taking form.

The off site event will either be at the Art Museum or the Aquarium.

Abstracts for presentations are still needed. Lynn will resend the call for abstract email. Cathy requested an abstract message on the new website. Lynn will add the message and a link to the National Website.

Karl discussed the mining and bioassessment workshops he is working on.

### **TAC REPORT**

Julie Stally of Metro District (spelling not verified) will replace Jim Dorsch on the TAC. Jim will remain on the Leadership Team.

Mike Lewis and Don Cambell (spelling not verified) are meeting in August in regard to the Yampa retrospective pilot program. They would like the DSN to handle the micro-invertebrate data which their system will not accommodate.

Eleven org IDs have been migrated to WQX. These users will need to review their data to make sure the transition was accomplished correctly. The Web Sims portal will be open for review only.

### **MENTORING COMMITTEE**

Most committee members have reviewed and commented on the resources lists developed at the kick-off meeting. Vic will schedule another meeting to begin work on incorporating the resources information and products into Council resources such as the website.

### **OUTREACH**

Barb will be hiring a temp who will help with Council & DSN outreach as part of their duties. The temp will also develop an outreach strategy and plan.

Barb mentioned that at a recent conference she made several Arkansas Basin contacts which she will be following up with. She also made contact with Mark Conquist (spelling not verified) from the Dept. of Agriculture. He is the coordinator of a Watershed Plan effort. She gave him information to distribute.

### **MARKET OPPORTUNITIES**

The Council was donated a table at the Gunnison Water Workshop in July. Barb displaced informational material at the table. She observed approximately 50 people picking up material.

Alice said she would submit a poster abstract for the South Platte Forum in October. She will not be able to work the poster table both days. Vic offered to man the table one of the two days.

Lynn will be setting up a water education workshop in Ouray County aimed at County staff and Commissioners. She will use this opportunity to get the word out about the Council and DSN.

Dave Kanser mentioned that there will be an Ag Forum sponsored by Sarah Sauter's group where he may be able to provide Council/DSN marketing. He also mentioned that the 100<sup>th</sup> anniversary of the Gunnison Tunnel will provide a great opportunity to reach a lot of people for marketing purposes.

Lynn mentioned that a calendar of events would be a good idea for addition to the website but there is not enough \$\$\$ in the budget at this time for her to take this on.

### **ROUND TABLE**

The National Council is kicking off an outreach corroboration effort to find out what the National Council can do to help state councils and how to best share information. A webinar is being set up tentatively for September 2, 2009 at 11:00 am. Cathy will coordinate getting the new Council website link on the National Website. Lucia will do the same with the state website.

### **NEXT MEETING**

September 9, 2009 at a site TBD.